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Title: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR THE)
IMPROVEMENT OF THE PROPERTIES OF A)
FIBER MATERIAL WEB PRODUCED IN A)
SHEET FORMING DEVICE)

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Applicant wishes to bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents identified on the attached form PTO-1449. Applicant respectfully requests that these documents be made of record in the present application.

A copy of each of the documents is enclosed.

German Patent Document DE 197 04 740 teaches a double fourdrinier section of a papermaking machine. The leading roller (26) for the upper fourdrinier (12) is a paper forming roller. Both fourdriniers (12, 14) pass together round the roller (26) by an angle (alpha) of at least 10°, seen from the centre of the roller. Both fourdriniers (12, 14) are pressed against the roller (26) by at least one forming bar (30, 22).

German Patent Document DE 297 14 908 discloses a double screen former for the manufacture of a paper web has two continuous screens forming together a double screen zone. The one screen runs in the double screen zone across rigid laths that are arranged on the dewatering b ox at a mutual spacing. Additionally, the other screen runs in the double screen zone across several laths which are supported by means of flexible elements and can be forced on the screen at a selective force. The space between the flexibly supported laths is at least approximately twice as large as the space between the rigid laths.

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